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**TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET**

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Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

1. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT.
3. Form PTO-1449 (in duplicate), along with a copy of one Taiwan reference and an abstract from the English corresponding application US 6,088,307. No copies of the U.S. patents are included.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required for the filing of these documents to **Deposit Account No. 501874**

Respectfully submitted,

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, and 37 CFR 1.97-1.98, the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby made of record in this patent application. The Taiwan application 451191 has an English equivalent which is based on U.S. 6,088,307, a copy of the abstract is included. Since copies of U.S. patents are no longer required, the only copies enclosed are the non-U.S. references.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed following the issuance of the first Official Action in this application. However, it is believed that no fees are due since these references were received in an office action of a corresponding Taiwan application with a mailing date of December 5, 2006.

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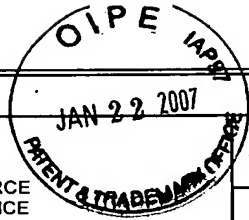
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		<b>6,088,307</b>	<b>07/11/2000</b>	<b>Fushimi et al.</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>44.13</b>	
		<b>5,523,990</b>	<b>06/04/1996</b>	<b>T. Chiba</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>47.22</b>	

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		<b>451191</b>	<b>08/21/1990</b>	<b>Taiwan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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